9 Men's Morris

This game was played by troops during the Civil War. The soldiers used pebbles and twigs for markers.

Two players are needed to play the game.

Each player needs nine playing pieces.

- 1. Take turns putting one marker at a time on the board. You can only put the markers on the dots.
- 2. After all your game pieces are on the board, you can use your turn to move a piece to a different dot.
- 3. Both players try to make a "mill," which is three men in a row.
- 4. Whenever a player makes a mill, they take one of the other player's men off the board.
- 5. You can only move your pieces along a vertical or horizontal line to get to the next dot.
- 6. The game is over when one player has two men left.

